



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 297

LCO No. 1870



Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by:
(GL)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN OFF-SITE FARM WINERY SALES AND TASTING PERMIT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2014*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Consumer Protection shall issue an off-site farm winery sales and
3 tasting permit to a holder of a manufacturer permit for a farm winery
4 upon submission of proof to the commissioner that the holder is in
5 compliance with the requirements of subsection (e) of section 30-16 of
6 the general statutes. An off-site farm winery sales and tasting permit
7 shall authorize the sale and offering of free samples of wine
8 manufactured from the farm winery during not more than seven
9 events or functions per year at locations outside the manufacturer
10 permit for a farm winery holder's permit premises, provided such
11 holder: (1) Notifies the Department of Consumer Protection, on a form
12 prescribed by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, not less than
13 twenty-four hours prior to the start of the event or function, of the
14 date, hours and location of each event or function, (2) only sells wine
15 by the bottle at the event or function, and (3) is present, or has an
16 authorized representative present, at the time of sale of any bottle of

17 wine or offering of a free sample of wine from the farm winery at the
18 event or function. An off-site farm winery sales and tasting permit
19 shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance. The
20 annual fee for such permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars. There
21 shall be a one-hundred-dollar nonrefundable filing fee for any such
22 permit.

23 (b) Any town or municipality may, by ordinance or zoning
24 regulation, prohibit the sale or offering of wine by the holder of an off-
25 site farm winery sales and tasting permit at an event or function held
26 in such town or municipality.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish an off-site farm winery sales and tasting permit.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]